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Re: 'Greenism' helped Putin fuel his war machine, Rex Murphy, March 1 Rex Murphy's take on climate action is analogous to captured Russian soldiers who are unaware that they are engaged in a real war in Ukraine - as opposed to a military exercise. Contrary to the opinion expressed in this piece, the threat of climate change is real, and its effects are on our very doorsteps.

The IPCC Sixth Assessment Report released on Feb. 28 on climate impacts on human well-being makes it very clear that those who do not confront the climate crisis and protect the life systems we rely on will doom billions of people to misery and potentially more bloodshed. Increasing our reliance on fossil fuels and more pipelines runs contrary to global security, and will only make us more vulnerable. As with the collapse of the cod fishery in Newfoundland, which Murphy reported on with such empathy at the time, not listening to science in time will only add to the destructive cost of inaction.

Like Russian soldiers punching holes in oil tanks of their own vehicles because they do not want to engage in war in Ukraine, renewables, energy storage, and energy savings will take the power from those who are currently holding the world at ransom for the profit of the few. Mr. Murphy, just like Russian soldiers in Ukraine, you've been lied to. This is not a drill. Gretchen Fitzgerald, National Programs Director, Sierra Club Canada Foundation
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